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Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, Acting United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Patrick A. Weigand (DOB: 2/28/68), St. Paul, Minnesota, was sentenced today by Chief U.S. District Court Judge Barbara B. Crabb to 108 months (9 years) of imprisonment for possessing 500 or more grams of methamphetamine with the intent to distribute. Weigand pleaded guilty to the charge on May 4, 2005.

Two associates of Weigand's have also been sentenced in U.S. District Court in related cases: (1) Michael Stoehl was sentenced to 178 months of imprisonment for possession with intent to distribute 500 or more grams of methamphetamine; and (2) Kevin Hellerman was sentenced to 64 months of imprisonment for his role in a conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine.

The charges against Patrick Weigand were the result of an investigation conducted by the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation-Narcotics Bureau, and the Barron County Sheriff's Department. Prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Laura A. Przybylinski Finn.

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